

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS:

The attached sheets of drawings include changes to Figures 5 and 7. These sheets, which include Figures 5 and 7 replace the original sheets including these Figures. In Figures 5 and 7, the label "i MODE (N501i)" has been changed to --i MODE (N502i)--.

Attachment: Replacement Sheet(s)

Annotated Sheets Showing Changes

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested. Currently, claims 1-13 are pending in this application.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. §103:

Claims 1-9 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 as allegedly being unpatentable over Hill et al (U.S. '714, hereinafter "Hill") in view of Birrell et al (U.S. '551, hereinafter "Birrell").

Applicant traverses this rejection.

Col. 4, lines 21-41 and col. 5, lines 1-26 (specifically identified in the Office Action of Birrell appear to merely disclose a conventional email system in which network connected client computers can compose and send email messages to each other.

Hill discloses rendering a document 210 from remote storage on output device 200 coupled to client computer 204 using browser 206. Document 210 (e.g., a HTML document) specifies document content and structure. The layout of document 210 is dynamically adapted to the particular output device 200 so that the document fully utilizes the device's capabilities. In particular, document 210 may contain an embedded layout generator 212 which interrogates device 200 and selects a style sheet 214a...214n based on capabilities of the device 200.

In order to establish a *prima facie* case of obviousness, all of the claim limitations must be taught or suggested by the prior art. The combination of Hill and Birrell fails to teach or suggest all of the claim limitations. For example, the combination of Hill and Birrell fails to teach or suggest "...accepting a receiver's terminal model name that is input by a user (emphasis added)," as required by independent claim 1. Independent claims 4 and 7 similarly require "...accepting a receiver's terminal model name selected by the user (emphasis added)." These

features are supported by (sender) menu 20 illustrated in Fig. 2 of the present application which enables user selection of a receiver's terminal model name.

In contrast to accepting a receiver's terminal model name input by a user, Hill discloses embedded layout generator 212 in document 210 interrogating a display device 200 to select a style sheet 214a...214n. Hill's clear and explicit purpose of dynamically (see abstract) adapting the layout of a document to a particular output device teaches away from user control of input (or user selection) of the receiver's terminal model name. Birrell does not remedy this deficiency of Hill.

Accordingly, Applicant submits that claims 1-9 are not "obvious" under 35 U.S.C. §103 over Hill and Birrell, and respectfully requests that the rejection of these claims under 35 U.S.C. §103 be withdrawn.

New Claims:

New claims 10-13 have been added to provide additional protection for the invention. New claims 10-13 generally require electric mail text based on the display form being displayed on a display of a sender's terminal before the electric mail text is sent to the receiver's terminal. As noted on page 2, lines 22-24 and page 7, line 27 to page 8, line 5 of the originally-filed specification, this feature allows the sender to know in advance how the electric mail text will be later displayed on the receiver's terminal. Since the Office Action appears to allege that Hill's output device 200 is the receiver's terminal (see page 3 of the Office Action), there is nothing which further teaches displaying the email text based on a display form on a display of the sender's terminal before sending the email. It appears that the display of Hill's output device

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200 is the first time that the output is displayed. There is no teaching or suggestion of displaying the email based on the display form on the sender's terminal.

Conclusion:

Applicant believes that this entire application is in condition for allowance and respectfully requests a Notice to this effect. If the Examiner has any questions or believes that an interview would further prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned.

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FIG.5

To:		SKY MAIL
Cc:		i MODE
Bcc:		PDA
Subject:		

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i MODE (N50X(i)

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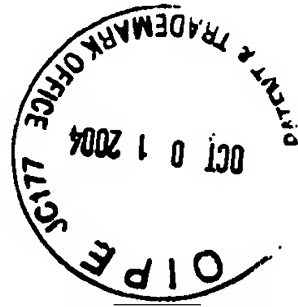


FIG. 7

To:	SKY MAIL i MODE PDA
Cc:	
Bcc:	
Subject:	

i MODE (N500i)
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